

COOPERATION MAKES MORE THAN \$5,000

Kings Prairie Special Road District Makes Great Record in Road Building by Concerted Effort.

Frank A. Wightman, secretary of the Kings Prairie Community Club, has submitted a report of 1921 road work in his district, which shows that wonders can be accomplished by co-operation and community effort. Mr. Wightman's figures show that the Kings Prairie Special Road District has secured more than \$5,000 more than would have been obtained in the ordinary course of events.

The Kings Prairie people were tired of the mud roads. They have a fine country and they were handicapped in marketing their products by bad roads. Every year they used their allotment in fixing up mud holes, which had to be gone over every year. They decided to make a grand effort to stop the waste and evolved the plan of building one mile of gravel road each year until the whole township could be reached by good roads. The Special Road District agreed to grade the roads and put in the waterways provided the farmers would put on the gravel.

The first mile of gravel road put in connected Kings Prairie with the state highway, giving them a good outlet. So pleased were the citizens with this mile of good road, that they continued the good work and finished up another quarter of a mile this summer exceeding their quota. The county court assisted them in the road work by giving them \$1300 to add to what they secured by their own efforts.

Mr. Wightman submits the following report of the season's receipts:

Money on hand Jan. 1, 1921	\$ 935.00
Received from County Court	1300.00
Poll taxes collected	273.00
Money advanced by Com.	300.00
Total	2808.00
Money on hand	1000.00

Total 1808.00

By the ordinary process the Special Road Districts would have received only the poll tax and would have had that amount plus the money on hand January 1, for their operations, which would have been only \$1208. \$1,000, as shown above, is to be used for graveling the new state highway when it is constructed.

The voluntary personal donations were the greater part of the amount used in building these good roads and from these figures it will be seen that the Kings Prairie Community club, by its concerted efforts put \$5,000 more money into good roads this year than they would have had by proceeding under the ordinary methods.

The secretary of the Special Road District, at a meeting of the commissioners at his home Monday evening was instructed by them to prepare a list of poll tax delinquents and to place the list with a Justice of the Peace for collection.

Cash contributions	\$ 30.00
Contributed labor on Road to county line	535.00
Labor on Calton road	224.00
Labor on Dry Fork Bridge	130.00
Subscription for grading to county line (donation)	2550.00
Total contributions	3469.00
Plus other receipts	2808.00
Total	\$6277.00

TRAIN OF RAISINS, FIRST EVER KNOWN, COMING EAST

Topeka, Kan., August 27.—A trainload of raisins, forty-five freight cars, passed through Kansas today, enroute to Eastern cities. Santa Fe officials here reported.

This is the first of five such trains recently chartered from California when lower rates became effective. Railroad officials said this was the first time raisins have been shipped in solid trainloads.

ARE GUESTS AT PICNIC AT MARIONVILLE

A large number of the members of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal church accepted an invitation from the Epworth League of Marionville to be their guests at a picnic today at Marionville. They were conveyed to Marionville in a large truck.

PLEASANT VALLEY

Estel Eden has returned from Kansas where he has been the past few months.

Mrs. Thomas made a business trip to Purdy, Saturday.

Clark Haynes spent Saturday and Sunday at Purdy.

Philip Haynes and Cordie Nichols were in Monett on business Friday.

School commenced at this place Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCracken were guests, Sunday, of Mrs. Mary Long, of Purdy.

Miss Mattie Haynes was the guest of Miss Iva Thomas, Friday evening.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO ENROLL FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Superintendent F. E. Engleman has announced that high school students will be enrolled at the high school building Friday and Saturday of this week.

The order of scheduling is as follows:

Freshmen, Friday a. m., 9:00 to 12:00.

Sophomores, Friday p. m., from 1:00 to 4:00.

Juniors, Saturday a. m. from 9:00 to 12:00.

Seniors, Saturday p. m., from 1:00 to 4:00.

The course of study is as follows:

First Year English I

History I

Algebra

Latin I

General Science

Second Year English II

History II

Geometry

Latin II

Agriculture

Bookkeeping

Home Economics I (Sewing)

Fourth Year English III

American History

Physics

Home Economics II (Cooking)

Stenography II

Commercial Law

Physics I or II

Mathematics III

Education I

Sociology

Public Speaking

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A SPECIAL COUNTY PRIZE

Which county in the Ozarks has the best dairy cattle? This question will be decided at the Ozark Stock Show this year. According to an announcement just made, a cash prize of \$100 will be paid the county showing the best Jersey cattle, and a similar sum for the county having the best Holsteins. Second prizes of \$50 and third and fourth prizes of \$25 will be offered for each breed.

This money will be awarded at the Ozark Stock Show after the regular dairy classes have been judged. The exhibitors from each county will assemble their best cattle in a group of eight, consisting of their best—

Bull from the two aged classes

Bull from the junior classes

Cow 2 years or over

Cow 2 years under 3

Heifer—senior yearling

Heifer—junior yearling

Heifer—Senior calf

Heifer—junior calf

No special entries have to be made to compete for the county prize.

Simply bring out the cattle. Neighbor Smith and Neighbor Jones will merely get together and assemble a group of the best ones from the herds showing from their own county and show for the county prize. Any animal which has been shown in any of the classes at the Ozark Stock Show is eligible to show in this county group.

Naturally the county which wins will secure quite a bit of valuable publicity. It is hoped that every county in the Ozark Country will turn out sufficient strength to show for the county prize. For additional information address H. R. Nelson, Manager Ozark Stock Show, Springfield, Mo.

These special county prizes are due to the generosity of the creamery men of the Ozarks—who take this method of showing their faith in better dairy cattle.

LIKE PEYTON GULICK'S PLAYING

Peyton Gulick, of Monett, who is with the Western Welfare Chautauqua this season, is delighting his audiences with his violin playing. Twenty-nine citizens of Fillmore, Ill., signed a request for Mr. Gulick's return to their town in the Chautauqua program next year. The letter to the Chautauqua Association to which the names are signed is as follows:

"We, the undersigned, having attended the Chautauqua recently held in our village by your people, wish to express our appreciation for the entertainment furnished, and realizing that we cannot have all the talent return, we especially request that Mr. Gulick, the violinist, be returned on the program next year."

Mr. Gulick is not only skilled in technique, but he has the true musician's soul and his playing reaches the hearts of his audiences.

PICNIC AT WATSON'S POOL

The Sunshine Girls class and the Booster's class of the Christian Sunday school, of which Mrs. Leslie Richardson and Miss Blanche Blakeslee are the teachers, spent the day picnicking at Watson's pool, near Peirce City. Among those who went down on the morning train were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Richardson, Misses Neva Shepherd, Blanche Blakeslee, Wilma Finn, Hattie Porterfield, Jewel Estes; Lester and Willard Estes and Paul Blakeslee. There were several who went down in cars.

PIONEER

Mrs. Mary Allen who has been sick the past two weeks is some better.

Dr. P. L. Freeland reports the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rider Friday, August 26, and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Domino Washie, August 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Binion and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Pratt were the dinner guests of Will Wolgermott and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stewart are the proud parents of a 12 pound boy born August 24.

Mrs. Belle Freeland and Miss Luvena Bradley visited Friday afternoon with Mrs. J. F. Chastain at Purdy.

Miss Leah Hart and Homer Wheeler attended church at Fairview Sunday night.

Mrs. Clara Belka is on the sick list this week.

Miss Maggie Stewart of Wheaton and Geo. Hutchens of this place were quietly married Tuesday evening, Aug. 23. Their many friends wish them a long and happy life.

IN POLICE COURT

J. S. Rickman was arrested Monday night by Chief of Police H. S. Morelock for running his car without the tail light in service. He was given a minimum fine of \$1.00 and costs, on account of it being his first offense.

Dr. A. S. Hawkins left Monday night for Claremore, Okla., to visit his daughter, Mrs. W. C. Kates.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Leake and son Junior, will leave this week to visit Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Leake and other relatives in St. Louis.

LOREN CARMACK'S HOUSE BURNS

The residence of Loren Carmack on north Central avenue, across the road east of Fred Salzer's place was completely destroyed by fire about 9:30 o'clock Monday evening. All the household furniture was also burned.

Mr. and Mrs. Carmack are at Albuquerque, N. Mex., for the benefit of Mrs. Carmack's health. Mont Carmack has been going out to the place every evening to milk and several times he has found the screens torn off the windows and evidence that someone had been inside the house. He thinks that someone broke into the house and set it afire by striking matches or smoking.

The loss is about \$2,000, with some insurance.

Mr. Carmack lost another place by fire last year while he and his family were away from home.

THIRD DEGREE IS CONFERRED UPON NINE CANDIDATES

A special meeting of Monett Lodge No. 129 A. F. & A. M. was held Monday, commencing at 9 o'clock a. m. and continuing until 11 o'clock p. m. The Third degree was conferred upon nine candidates who were Joe A. Breece, J. L. Jeffries, Chas. A. Dawson, James E. Huffman, Wm. F. Davis, Russel A. Cole, Allen H. Harrison, Grover C. Foust and Richard B. Roy.

At six o'clock, a banquet was served in the Masonic hall to the Masons and wives, and at 11 o'clock refreshments were served.

Visitors were there from Cassville, Seligman, Purdy, Neosho, Verona and Joplin.

FOUR BUSINESS FIRMS TO CHANGE LOCATIONS

Within the next few days four business firms will change their locations. Whitlock-Lines, produce and seed house, are working hard to get settled in their new building across the street from their present location before Sales Day, which will be Saturday, September 3. As soon as they have moved, Armstrong's Grocery will move into the building vacated, and J. W. Fly, who is now located at the corner of Third street and Broadway, will move into the building vacated by Mr. Armstrong. The Farmer's Exchange recently purchased the building now occupied by Mr. Fly, and will move into it.

WOODMAN JOLLY PICNIC SATURDAY

The Modern Woodman lodge of Jolly will hold their annual picnic next Saturday, September 3. This is an annual affair and people from a large territory attend and enjoy a reunion of friends and relatives.

BARN BLOWN DOWN

The barn belonging to Ed Gaydon, of north of town, was blown down in the storm last Thursday night. Luckily no stock was in the barn and outside of the destruction of the building there was little damage.

Rev. Jerry Jeter will begin a revival meeting in an immense tabernacle at Sapulpa, Okla., September 4.

S. P. McCracken was called to Sarcoxie Sunday by the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. S. T. Brown.

E. W. Wallen went to Springfield, Tuesday, to attend the Missouri Farmer's convention.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Burney, of Marionville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Binion, Monday.

Mr. Schoals, representing the Northern Liberty Insurance company, was among the out-of-town visitors in Monett, Tuesday.

Miss Gladys Mills, chief operator at the Southwestern Bell telephone company, returned Monday from a vacation spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mills, of Republic.

Miss Mae Wright, of Springfield, who has spent the past month with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McIntosh and E. W. Wallen and family, returned Tuesday to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Noble and their daughter, Mrs. V. Betheards and son, are in Monett looking for a location. They are recently from Berryville, Ark. Before that, Mr. Noble was a sheep raiser at Bozeman, Mont.

Miss Ruth Robinson attended the Missouri University at Columbia, Mo., this summer, and is now visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Robinson before returning to Rich Hill where she will teach school this year.

Heber Page, son of O. J. Page prosecuting attorney, and member of the Page Printing Co., of Springfield, is seriously ill at Iola, Kans., with chronic appendicitis. He was taken suddenly ill there Saturday while on a business trip. He will be sent to Kansas City for further examination and a possible operation. Heber Page, who was a corporal in the 342nd field artillery, was in a hospital for eight months in France during the war. It is believed he has never fully recovered from his illness there.

MANY MISSOURI FARMS OPERATED BY WOMEN

Springfield, Aug. 29.—The 39 farms in Greene county which women are credited with owning, managing or tenantry, represent an approximate total valuation of \$335,244, according to statements made in a bulletin recently released by Commissioner William H. Lewis of the state bureau of labor statistics. The bulletin reveals that 8,795 farms of the 263,004 in Missouri are controlled and superintended by women, not considering the thousands who, as farmers' wives, daughters or relatives, assist directly or indirectly in managing and tilling man-owned farms and by their efforts help to make the venture profitable.

The total area of land contained in the 39 farms in Greene county owned, managed or tenanted by women, based on the average per farm of this character which prevails over the entire state, is 3,904 acres.

Polk county, in the western foothills of the Ozark uplift, has the honor of leading all Missouri counties for women in agriculture, having 130 farms either owned, managed or tenanted by the sex, with Saline county ranking second with 136 thus supervised, and Jackson, St. Louis and Howell counties tied for third honors with 135 each.

The city of St. Louis, officially credited with having 244 farms in its limits, has eight farms which are either owner, manager or tenanted by women farmers, who not alone successfully cultivate high priced city lands but produce crops as bountiful and marketable as do their brother farmers or they would not be thus engaged in such costly environments.

Other Missouri counties with 100 or more farms either owned, managed or tenanted by women are: Barry, Callaway, Cape Girardeau, Cass, Chariton, Henry, Jasper, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lincoln, Macon, Nodaway, Pettis, Pike, St. Clair, Stoddard, Texas and Wright.

Three Missouri counties, Gentry, Dallas and Dent, are officially on record as having no farms solely owned, managed or tenanted by women.

MISSOURI'S CANTALOUPE CROP 50 PERCENT LARGER

Missouri's cantaloupe crop this year will be more than 50 per cent larger than last year. The information is based upon the federal crop estimates for the month of August.

Although Missouri ranks seventh as a cantaloupe producing state the average yield per acre in the state is larger than any other state in the country. The states average production this year will be 196 crates per acre. Missouri is ranked among the "late producing" states, the cantaloupe crop coming on the market in July and August and early September, while the early producing states market their crop in June and July.

Missouri will produce 1,044 carloads of cantaloupes this season, according to the federal estimates, aggregating 365,400 crates, or approximately 13,150,000 melons. The acreage for the state this year is estimated at 1,865 acres. Missouri's production last year amounted to 679 carloads, or 2,555,000 melons, while the acreage was 1,265.

Mendon school will begin next Monday, with Miss Alice Planchon as teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Rees, of Anderson, came today to visit relatives in the city.

Misses Frances and Opal Love Buckhalder of Vinita, Okla., who have been the house guests of Miss Mildred Callaway, have returned home.

Dr. C. T. Dusenbury reports the birth of a daughter, Alice Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pryor, Monday August 29.

Miss Ruth Breese and Chas. Ellis, of Springfield, enjoyed a week-end visit with John Black and family at Washburn.

Chas. Ellis, of Springfield, returned home Tuesday, after a week's visit with W. R. Breese and family. He was on his way home from Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Baity, Miss Lucille Baity, and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Runkle enjoyed an outing at Roaring river from Friday to Saturday evening of last week.

Mrs. W. S. Sevier returned Saturday from a three weeks visit with Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Sevier, who are members of Domingo's Musical Extravaganza. She was with them while they played Ft. Scott, Parsons, Pittsburg, and other places in Kansas. Mr. Sevier, who accompanied her, remained with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lohmeyer, Mrs. Mary Ketchum and Lee Kennedy, of Springfield, motored to Monett Saturday evening, and spent Sunday with Mrs. J. J. Randall and children. Mrs. Randall and children met them Saturday evening in Aurora, and spent the evening at the Tooker swimming pool, and Sunday, they spent the day at the Watson swimming pool near Peirce City.

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